

**Enrolled Minutes of the Seventeenth Regular or Special Meeting
For the Twenty-Ninth Highland Town Council
Special Meeting (electronic)
Friday, August 28, 2020**

The Twenty-Ninth Town Council of the Town of Highland, Lake County, Indiana met in special session on Friday, August 28, 2020 at 6:30 O'clock P.M. in the regular place, the Highland Municipal Building, 3333 Ridge Road, Highland, Indiana.

This meeting was convened as an *electronic meeting*, pursuant to Governor Holcomb's Executive Order 20-04 and 20-09, an extended by Executive Order 20-42, allowing such meetings pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-3.6 for the duration of the COVID-19 public health emergency. All persons met remotely on a Zoom platform that allowed for real time interaction, and supported the public's ability to observe and record the proceedings. When an agenda item provided for public comment, this was supported as well. Councilor Herak, while not required under the Governor's orders, was present on the premises of the plenary meeting room.

Silent Roll Call: Councilors Mark Herak, Mark Schocke, Thomas Black and Roger Sheeman were present. Councilor Bernie Zemen was absent. The Clerk-Treasurer, Michael W. Griffin was present to memorialize the proceedings. A quorum was attained.

Officials Present: Peter Hojnicky, Police Chief was also present for part of the meeting.

Additional Officials Present: Larry Kondrat and Ed Dabrowski (also IT Consultant) of the Board of Waterworks Directors were also present.

Guests: Theresa Badovich of the Idea Factory was also present.

Special Orders:

1. Ratify the calling of a special meeting for Friday, August 28, 2020, pursuant to HMC Section 2.05.130(A) (4) and Section 2.05.130(F).

Councilor Herak moved to ratify the meeting. Councilor Black seconded. Upon a roll call vote, there were four affirmatives and no negatives. The motion passed. The meeting was ratified.

2. **Action on Accounts payable vouchers:** August 11, 2020 to August 24, 2020 in the amount of \$500,184.23 and • Payroll Dockets for the payday of July 31, 2020 in the amount of \$333,864.49 and the payday of August 14, 2020 in the amount of \$220,463.95.

Councilor Black moved to allow the vendors accounts payable vouchers as filed on the pending accounts payable docket, covering the period August 11, 2020 through August 24, 2020 as well as to ratify the payroll docket for the payday July 31, 2020. Councilor Sheeman seconded. Upon a roll call vote, there were four affirmatives and no negatives. The motion passed. The accounts payable vouchers for the vendor docket were allowed, payroll dockets and other payments allowed in advance were ratified, and for all remaining invoices, the Clerk-Treasurer was authorized to make payment.

Public Comment added. While not on the agenda, the Town Council President, with leave from the Town Council, called for comments from the public.

1. Larry Kondrat, Highland, commented it was recent practice for meetings to have public comment at the beginning, noting that that as an item of business it was not included on the special meeting agenda. There were no further comments.

Adjournment. There being no further business for the special meeting, Councilor Herak moved to adjourn. Councilor Sheeman seconded. Upon a roll call vote, there were four affirmatives and no negatives. The motion to adjourn passed. The Special meeting of the Town Council of Friday, August 28, 2020 was adjourned at 6:37 O'clock p.m.

Michael W. Griffin, IAMC/MMC/CPFA/ACPFIM/CMO
Clerk-Treasurer

Approved by the Town Council at its meeting of _____,
2020.

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